SENATOR RASMUSSEN: For the record, this is dealing with the Bureau of Reclamation not with the Corp of Engineers.

SENATOR DICKINSON: Thank you, Senator. Just a minute, Senator Rasmussen, please, this is, in effect, a legal way of circumventing or getting around the fact that Nebraska state government or any part thereof is prohibited from contracting debts, in a sense, because we cannot have a bonded indebtedness or any kind of an indebtedness, is this right?

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: This, of course, does not contract the state or in any way force the state of any amount of money. There is two key words in here according to the Attorney General's office and that is "existing" and "contingent". It is still contingent upon the Legislature three years hence, if they need money.

SENATOR DICKINSON: Yes, it would be contingent upon continued appropriation of funds.

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: Right.

SENATOR DICKINSON: But after the obligation is once made, it is pretty...it is a moral obligation on the part of the Legislature. Is the Bureau of Reclamation willing to accept this fifty year contract with the Game and Parks?

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: Yes, they are willing to accept this without any dollar figures.

SENATOR DICKINSON: Thank you, Senator.

PRESIDENT: Senator DeCamp. Any further discussion? The question is Senator Rasmussen's amendment. Record your vote. Please vote. Record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 2 nays, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The amendment is adopted. Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DeCAMP: I move the bill as amended be advanced.

PRESIDENT: You have heard the motion. Further discussion? Record your vote. Record. Senator Rasmussen. I am sorry.

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: Mr. President, this is a very important measure and I see we (inaudible).

PRESIDENT: I know it. All right. The Board is open. Senator Savage voting aye. Okay.

CLERK: Mr. President, there is a little uncertainty as to what amendment we adopted.

PRESIDENT: The third alternative. Senator Rasmussen, it was your third alternative that we adopted, was it not?

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: Yes.